

Charades Relay

Purpose:

This is a dynamic, fun and interactive game. It provides an interesting twist on the old-fashioned game of Charades. It can be played with a group of almost any size since the team structure can be easily modified. It is perfect for an indoor rainy-day activity.

Set-Up:

Step 1: In advance, make cards for each charade challenge. They can be movies, books or television shows. Consider the age of players when choosing the specific charades.

Step 2: Fold all cards and place them in a bag or box that players will choose from on their turn.

Step 3: At game time, divide teams based on the total number of players. You can play with as few as 4 players per team and as many as 8 players per team. It helps to have even numbers, if possible. You can play with as many teams as you like. If playing with many teams, it's helpful to be in a large space to allow separation between teams for effective game play and organization.

Rules of Play:

Step 1: Each team divides into pairs. If teams are small or you have an odd number, you can play with singles instead of pairs. All other rules remain the same.

Step 2: The first pair for each team runs to the middle where a leader has the bag or bucket of charade cards.

Step 3: Each pair picks 1 card and runs back to their team.

Step 4: Each pair acts out the charade on their card while their team members try to figure out the charade they are doing.

Step 5: The pair acting out the charade must do the following - - 1) No talking to team members 2) Start off their acting with the sign for movie (hands moving like a camera rolling), book (hands open like a book) or television show (hands forming box like a T.V.)

Step 6: When a team member guesses the charade correctly, the next pair from that team runs to the middle to get a new card from the leader and the process starts over again.

Step 7: Pairs for each team must take turns so that each pair gets a fair number of turns.

Step 8: Each team keeps the cards that they answer correctly.

Step 9: If a team is having a difficult time solving a charade, they may return that card to the bag and select a new card. They may only return a card if they have tried to solve it unsuccessfully.

Step 10: At the end of the allotted activity time, the leader tallies how many cards each team has earned to determine the winner. The team with the most cards wins!

Charade Card Ideas for Kids:

Movies: Beauty & The Beast, Star Wars, Superman, Frozen, Finding Nemo, Elf, Angry Birds, Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles **Books:** Goodnight Moon, The Cat in the Hat, The Very Hungry Caterpillar, The Little Engine That Could, Captain Underpants, Harry Potter, Diary of a Wimpy Kid, Magic Tree House **Television Shows:** SpongeBob SquarePants, Paw Patrol, The Voice, Full House